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Dean Creek Elk Viewing Area to Close for Weed Spraying

Reedsport, **Ore.** – Dean Creek Elk Viewing Area, east of Reedsport on Highway 38, will be closed from 8 a.m. to approximately 2 p.m. on Wednesday, June 27 while the Bureau of Land Management sprays weeds at the site.

The Bureau of Land Management will use the herbicide Glyphosate to eradicate blackberry, scotch broom and other weeds near the parking lots, restroom and viewing platforms.

About BLM

The BLM manages more land -245 million surface acres - than any other Federal agency. This land, known as the National System of Public Lands, is primarily located in 12 Western States, including Alaska. The Bureau, with a budget of about \$1 billion, also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's multiple-use mission is to sustain the health and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. The Bureau accomplishes this by managing such activities as outdoor recreation, livestock grazing, mineral development, and energy production, and by conserving natural, historical, cultural, and other resources on public lands.

